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Motoo NISHIHARA

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Group Art Unit:

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For: FRAME CONSTRUCTION METHOD, FRAME CONSTRUCTION DEVICE AND
DATA TRANSFER SYSTEM CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING STM TRAFFIC
AND BEST EFFORT TRAFFIC IN COMMON FRAME FORMAT

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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1. J. Carlson et al., "Simple Data Link", Protocol Internet Draft, "draft-ietf-pppext-sdl-pol-00.txt", 1999, Lucent Technologies, IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force) with Abstract.

One copy of the listed document is submitted herewith.

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